I.   Amendments to the Claims

1.   (Cancelled).

2.   (Previously Presented): The system according to claim 23, wherein the text-to-speech generator is configured to randomly select a template from the plurality of predetermined templates.

3.   (Currently Amended): The system according to claim 23, wherein the text-to-speech generator is configured to select a template from the plurality of predetermined templates based on a counter to index through each template.

4.   (Previously Presented): The system according to claim 23, wherein the text-to-speech generator is configured to select a template from the plurality of predefined templates based on the transmission information.

5.   (Original): The system according to claim 4, wherein the text-to-speech generator is configured to select a template from the plurality of predefined templates based on artist information in the transmission information.

6.   (Previously Presented): The system according to claim 23, wherein the text-to-speech generator is configured to determine if artist information is in the transmission information and to determine if the artist information is plural.

7.   (Previously Presented): The system according to claim 23, wherein the transmission information includes next up information, and the text-to-speech generator selects the template based on the next up information.

8.   (Previously Presented): The system according to claim 23, wherein the text-to-speech generator is configured to add phrases to the template, where the phrases are associated with the transmission information.

9.   (Original): The system according to claim 8, wherein the phrases are associated with artist information in the transmission information.

10.   (Original): The system according to claim 8, further comprising an input device, wherein the phrases are user definable via the input device.

11.   (Currently Amended): The system according to claim 23, further comprising an audio summer configured to combine the message with a music signal thereby providing the message and music signal simultaneously.

12.   (Cancelled).

13.   (Previously Presented): The method according to claim 24, wherein the template is selected randomly.

14.   (Currently Amended): The method according to claim 24, wherein the template is selected from the plurality of predefined templates based on a counter to index through each template.

15.   (Previously Presented): The method according to claim 24, wherein the template is selected from the plurality of predefined templates based on the transmission information.

16.   (Original): The method according to claim 15, wherein the template is selected from the plurality of predefined templates based on an artist associated with the transmission.

17.   (Previously Presented): The method according to claim 24, further comprising determining if artist information contained within the transmission information is plural.

18.   (Previously Presented): The method according to claim 24, wherein the transmission information includes next up information and the template is selected based on the next up information.

19.   (Previously Presented): The method according to claim 24, further comprising adding phrases to the template, where the phrases are associated with the transmission information.

20.   (Original): The method according to claim 19, wherein the phrases are associated with artist information contained within the transmission information.

21.   (Original): The method according to claim 20, further comprising entering the phrases to be added to the template.

22.   (Currently Amended): The method according to claim 24, further comprising summing the message with a corresponding music signal_ thereby providing the message and music signal simultaneously.

23.   (Previously Presented): A system for generating an information announcement, the system comprising:

a receiver to receive broadcast programming transmission information;

a text-to-speech generator in communication with the receiver, the text-to-speech generator being configured to receive transmission information from the receiver, select a template from a plurality of predefined templates, and insert portions of the transmission information into the template creating a message; and

wherein the template includes a phrase and the portions of the transmission information are inserted into the phrase.

24.   (Previously Presented):   A method for generating an information announcement, the method comprising:

receiving broadcast programming transmission information;

selecting a template from a plurality of predefined templates;

creating a message by inserting portions of the transmission information into the templates;

audibly communicating the message to a user; and

wherein the template includes a phrase and the portions of the transmission information are inserted into the phrase.